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# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20554

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In re	)		
Amendment of § 73.202(b) of the Rules,	)		
Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations	)	MM Docket No. 97	*
(GLEN ROSE, TEXAS)	)	RM	

To: The Chief, Allocations Branch, Mass Media Bureau

## PETITION FOR RULEMAKING AND FOR ISSUANCE OF ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Cleburne Radio, Inc. ("CRI"), the licensee of radio station KCLE-FM, Channel 221C2, Glen Rose, Texas, hereby requests the start of a rule-making proceeding to amend § 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules, the FM Table of Allotments, to upgrade station KCLE-FM.

Specifically, CRI seeks the substitution of Channel 221C1 for the present Channel 221C2 and a concomitant modification of the license of station KCLE-FM. The upgrade at Glen Rose requires a change in the authorized but unbuilt facilities of the new FM station to serve the community of Stamford, Texas. (The FCC has not yet assigned call letters to that facility.) As discussed in more detail below, Blue Plains Broadcasting Company, the permittee of the unbuilt Stamford facility, has already requested a modification to its station authorization to a lower Class. In addition to the already proposed downgrade of the Stamford assignment to Class A, CRI proposes a substitution of Stamford's dial position.

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Schematically, the amendments to the FM Table of Allotments will be as follows:

COMMUNITY	Present	<b>Modified</b>
Glen Rose, Texas	221C2	221C1
Stamford, Texas	221C2 (221A Proposed)	295A

### I. BACKGROUND

1. Radio station KCLE-FM is licensed to serve the community of Glen Rose, Texas on Channel 221C2 with parameters of 27 kW ERP (H and V) and 201 meters HAAT. CRI has discovered, however, that it can upgrade station KCLE-FM to Class C1 status on KCLE-FM's authorized channel in full compliance with the FCC's technical rules, with one minor alteration to the FM Table of Allotments (the previously mentioned change of Stamford's dial position).

#### II. ARGUMENT

## A. THE UPGRADE OF STATION KCLE-FM WILL SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST

2. The primary service  $(60\text{-}dB\mu_{50,50})$  contour of a Class C2 station at maximum parameters (neglecting terrain irregularities) extends 52 km and encompasses an area of 8495 sq km. By contrast, the  $60\text{-}dB\mu_{50,50}$  contour of a Class C1 station at maximum parameters (again, neglecting terrain irregularities) extends 138% further ( to 72 km) and encompasses an area 192% greater (16,286 sq km) than that of a Class C2 FM station. The dramatic improvement in spectral efficiency flowing from KCLE-FM's upgrade to Class C1 status will clearly serve the

public interest. Endicott, New York, 51 FCC 2d 50, 51 (1975).

3. Furthermore, as shown in Exhibit A hereto, the Technical Statement of Mr. John Furr, CRI's technical consultant, the Commission can upgrade KCLE-FM to Class C1 status on Channel 2221 in full compliance with the FM technical rules with only a minor change in transmitter site<sup>1</sup> and one other minor amendment to existing or proposed allotments. Finally, the proposed upgrade of station KCLE-FM fully comports with the FCC's policy of encouraging licensees and permittees to improve facilities on their current or adjacent channels. See, Report and Order in MM Docket No. 85-313, 50 Fed. Reg. 20290 (1986).

### B. Other Matters

- 4. CRI intends, if the Commission amends the FM Table of Allotments as CRI requests herein, to promptly file an application for construction permit specifying operation of KCLE-FM on Channel 221C1. Upon grant of that application, CRI intends to construct, to place into operation, and to seek a covering license for the upgraded KCLE-FM facility.
- 5. Finally, because CRI proposes to upgrade KCLE-FM on its currently authorized operating frequency, no one may file a competing expression of interest for Channel 221C1 at Glen Rose. See, Report and Order in MM Docket No. 85-313, supra. As required by the

As a reference point for the allotment of Channel 221C1 to Glen Rose, CRI proposes to use the following coordinates: North Latitude 32 Degrees, 16 Minutes, 30 Seconds; and West Longitude 98 Degrees, 08 Minutes, 30 Seconds. This site is sufficiently near the community of license to ensure the premium level of service required by § 73.315 of the Rules.

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Commission, CRI pledges to reimburse the permittee of the unbuilt Stamford facility for the reasonable and prudent costs of changing from Channel 221A to Channel 295A.<sup>2</sup> See <u>Circleville</u>, Ohio, 8 FCC 2d 159 (1967).<sup>3</sup>

### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, the public interest will be served by the upgrade of station KCLE-FM to Class C1 status on Channel 221. Accordingly, the Commission should promptly institute a combined rulemaking and show-cause proceeding looking toward an amendment to the Table of Allotments for FM Broadcast Stations and concomitant modification of KCLE-FM's station authorization as CRI has proposed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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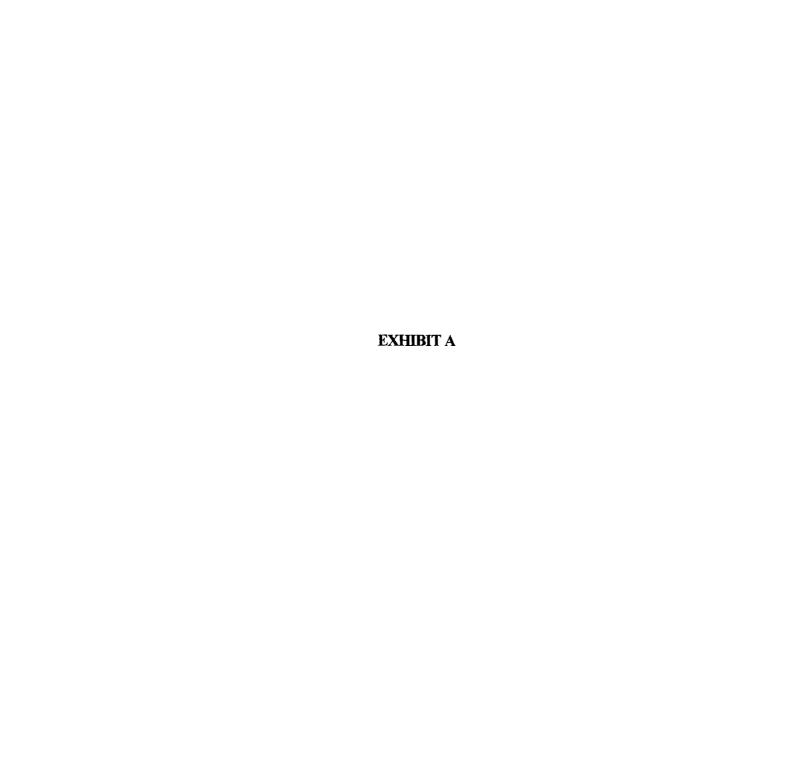
John J. McVeigh

Its Counsel

Date: March 6, 1996

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>By means of FCC Form 314 application BAPH-970204GE, Blue Plains Broadcasting Company is seeking FCC consent to assign the unbuilt Stamford construction permit to M & M Broadcasting Company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The Stamford permittee's "one-step" application to downgrade and change transmitter site satisfies the FCC's requirements for documentary evidence as to the permittee's willingness to effect such changes to its unbuilt facility.



#### ALLOCATION STATEMENT

This petition is prepared on behalf of Texas Country Connection, licensee of KCLE-FM in Glen Rose, Texas ("KCLE").

The Petition for Rulemaking requested an amendment of the Table of FM Channel Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the FCC Rules to provide an upgrade for KCLE from Channel 221C2 to Channel 221C1. The reason for not filing under the "instant up-grade" procedure is that this involves substituting a second party channel of an assigned allotment. The reference coordinates for this KCLE-FM proposal are:

Latitude 32°16'30" North, Longitude 98°08'30" West

This site is located 36 kilometers north and west of the reference coordinates of Glen Rose, Texas. From this site the entire city of Glen Rose, Texas will be served with the 70 dBu contour as required by §73.315 (a) and (b), demonstrated in the attached exhibit. The allocation exhibit shows Class C1 operation from this site will comply with all separation requirements as set forth in §73.207 of the FCC Rules, except as relates to the Allocation of 221C2 in Stamford, TX which recently filed to downgrade to Class A.

KCLE proposed a change to delete Channel 221A and substitute Channel 295A. The reference coordinates for Stamford Channel 295A are unchanged from those of the application on file for Blue Plains Broadcasting on 221A. The allocation study for Stamford is shown in the attached exhibit using the coordinates of:

Latitude 32°16'30" North, Longitude 98°08'30" West

This request of one substitution is within the guidelines of Docket 85-247 which limits the number of channel substitutions to two.

I, John R. Furr, am a Communications Consultant, and represent Texas Country Connection. My qualifications are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission, and all statements made herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

March 3, 1997

John R. Furr



KCLE-FM GLEN ROSE, TX NARRATIVE

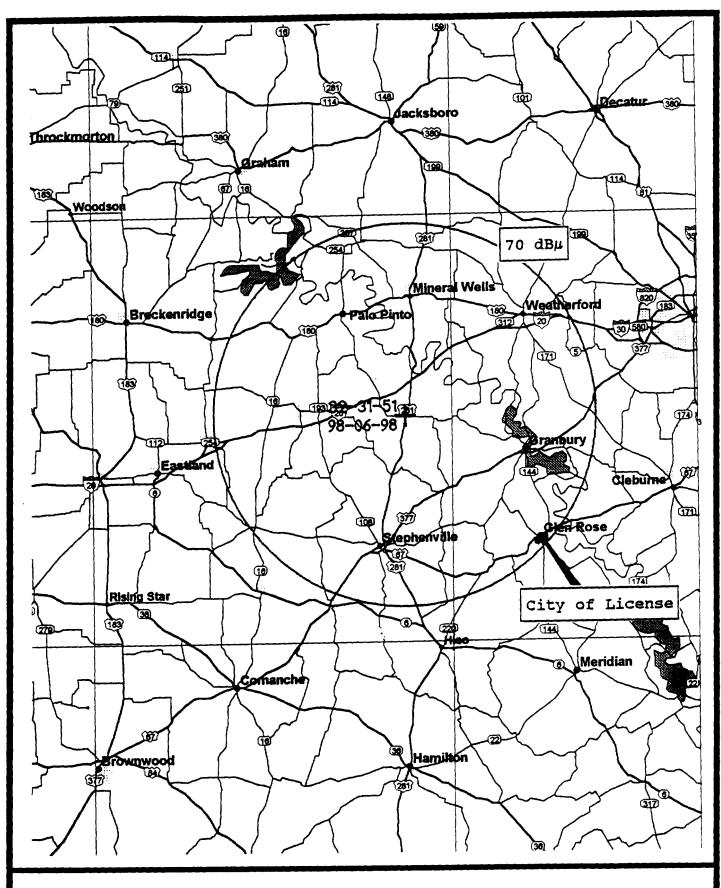
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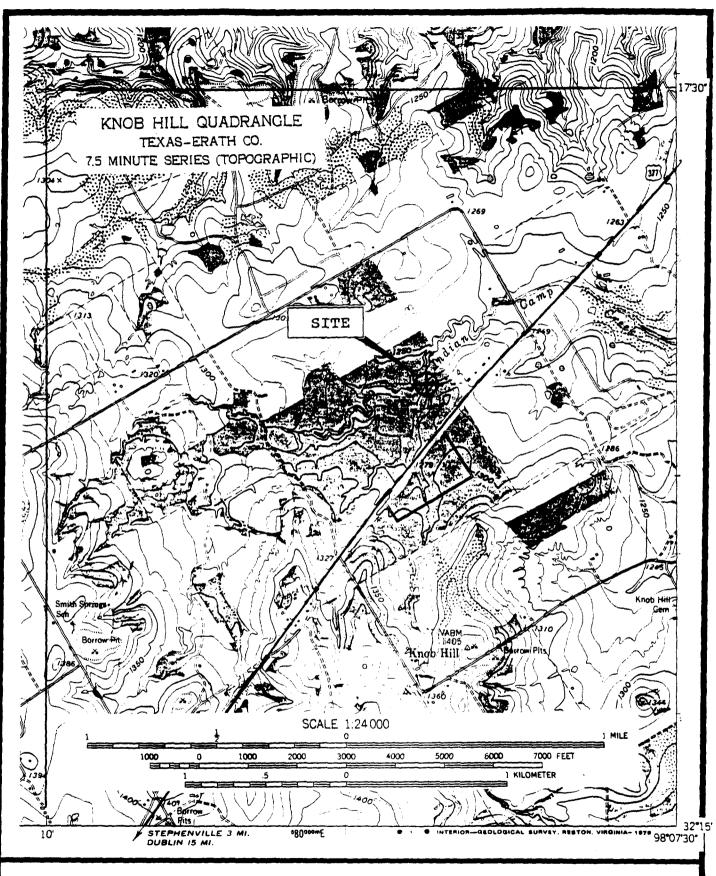
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KCLE-FM GLEN ROSE, TX CITY COVERAGE MAP



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KCLE-FM GLEN ROSE, TX SITE MAP

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this Sixth day of March 1996, sent copies of the foregoing

### "PETITION FOR RULEMAKING AND FOR ISSUANCE OF ORDER TO SHOW

CAUSE" by hand delivery to:

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